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"I AM WITH YOU."

Matthew 28:20.

"Lo! I am with you alway,"
What words of wondrous cheer!
Thou didst leave Thy home in heaven
To be my escort here.

"Lo! I am with you alway,"
Methinks 'twas said to me,
For in the deepest sorrow
I always walk with Thee.

"Lo! I am with you alway,"
Oh! how the shadows fly!
All earthly trials and burdens
Lighten when Thou art nigh.

"Lo! I am with you alway,"
'Tis blessedness to know
That I may have my Saviour
Wherever I may go.

"Lo! I am with you alway,"
How can I doubt or fear,
As through all the trials of life I pass,
If Thou art near.

"Lo! I am with you alway,"
Oh, precious words of love-
With me, my royal Guide and Friend
Till I reach my home above.

—Ex.

EDITORIAL.

THE SABBATH.

The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. Mark 2: 27.

This suggestive, sublime, scripture has been grossly abused. The man bent on gain, employing at pleasure, the sacred hours of the Sabbath in gainful pursuits, excuses the desecration by saying, "The Sabbath was made for man." Youths on pleasure bent, which pleasure is secular and sensual, exculpate self by saying "The Sabbath was made for man." Of course our Savior never had such thoughts in his mind when He uttered the immortal words. What He thought was the Sabbath was made for man's improvement, edification, inspiration, intellectual, moral, spiritual betterment and progress.

The trouble with the Pharisees was that they put the formal law above every thing, and maintained that the highest good was not in doing good, but in keeping their formal law. They wanted to make the Sabbath superior to man; to man's moral and spiritual good.

In the lesson of today they did not complain at the good accomplished by Jesus, they complained that their law was broken. They had far more regard for the spirit of the law.

There are people in the world of this type today. They think that if they go to church, "say" their prayers, and, maybe, read their Bibles occasionally they may then for the rest of their time, do as they please. So far as giving their soul to service and rendering genuine worship are concerned they know not what this means. Christ teaches that the mere form of the law is nothing, if we do not enter into the heart, soul and spirit of the law.

The Sabbath was given, not to hinder man, nor dwarf man, nor stop him from enjoyment, growth and pleasure, but for the opposite. One day's rest in seven is required for man's best attainment in every line of endeavor. For economic, as well as for moral and spiritual reasons, one day in seven is given to man that in it he may do the best of which he is capable. Because God wanted man to do his best He gave him the Sabbath to help him. The reason why it is a sin to desecrate the Sabbath is not because it hurts God, or thwarts the divine scheme, but because it hurts man, and hinders him from becoming what he might be. He who desecrates the Sabbath does violence to his own manhood. Christ, in the lesson, was not violating the Sabbath; He was doing the opposite, namely, fulfilling its very end and aim, doing good on the day and so making it a better, brighter and sweeter day.

A DAY IN NORFOLK.

It was the editor's privilege to spend Sunday, March 31, with friends in Norfolk. It is needless to say that the day was, to him, one of delightful fellowship, agreeable associations, and rich experiences. We found Rev. A. M. Hanson's congregation at Third Church full of zeal, and of enviable enthusiasm, but in great sadness of heart. The Sunday before Bro. Hanson had announced his intention of leaving about June 1 for a year's coveted study and scolarship pursuits. Judged by unmistakable evidences, every man, woman, and child of that congregation regrets deeply Bro. Hanson's prospective going, and wishes in all sincerity that he could continue the present wholly agreeable pastoral relationship indefinitely. In his pastorate of about two years he has won the hearts of this people and they feel all broken up now that he is to leave them even for a purpose which they themselves regard as commendable and which they appreciate. The decision of the congregation was to call Bro. Hanson for an indefinite period and to grant him a year's leave of absence, beginning June 1st and to increase the salary on his return from $1,200.00 to $1,500.00. This was unanimously and enthusiastically voted by the entire congregation just after the eleven o'clock service Sunday.

The Third Church, though young in years, gives every promise of permanency, progress and power. The congregation is intelligent, active, loyal, deeply interested. A chapel, heretofore ample, must at an early date be replaced with a more suitable and commodious house of worship. The location seems well chosen, the lot, purchased at a cost of $3,500, is ample convenient, and beautiful for situation, and is now accessible to the present and prospective membership. Park Place, and Colonial Place near by, are rapidly filling up with a substantial citizenship, and handsome homes, and will soon contain a vast permanent population. We shall soon have to have, from sheer necessity, and from pardonable pride and coveted privilege, a substantial and costly house of worship with which to supplant the present temporary chapel which has already well-nigh served its purpose, and served it well.

The Sunday school was full to overflowing, and exceedingly interesting and enthusiastic. Dr. J. W. Manning is Superintendent and is certainly well-fitted for his great task.

During the services of the morning, Bro. B. L. Nichols was ordained as Deacon, he being the first one chosen and ordained to this high position by this congregation.

In the afternoon there was a Sunday-school gathering of the various churches of the city at the First Presbyterian Church, which we were privileged to attend and to catch somewhat of the inspiration derived from such occasions.

Sunday night we worshipped with Rev. J. W. Harrell's congregation in our Portsmouth church. Bro. Harrell and his people have erected not only a commodious and substantial, but a costly, imposing and magnificent house of worship. It is an impressive brick structure with heavy stone fronts, entrances and dome, and is not only a credit to the cause, but to the city of Portsmouth, being among the handsomest and most imposing churches of the city. And within the church is as impressive, solemn, dignified and delightful as without. The finishings and furnishings are handsome, imposing and in keeping with refined taste and wisdom. Bro. Harrel has made great sacrifices, his people have stood by him, and a wonderful work has been done.

A day at Great Bridge with relatives and friends, and another at Town Point with loved ones, gave a joyous climax to an altogether agreeable and delightful trip.

A MEMORIAL TO THE CONVENTION.

The Alabama, and the Georgia and Alabama Conferences, jointly, are to lay before the approaching session of the Southern Convention a memorial that should have, as it deserves, mature deliberation and wise consideration. On page 33 of the 1912 Annual the following is found to have been adopted by the Georgia and Alabama Conference: "Resolved, That we memorialize the Southern Christian Convention to take steps to esetablish a high school or institute for the education of our young people, somewhere within the bounds of the Alabama and the Georgia and Alabama Conferences; and that a committee of three be appointed to confer with a like committee from the Alabama Conference provided the Executive Committee of that Conference will appoint such a committee, whose business it shall be to draft this memorial and present same to the next session of the Southern Christian Convention."

Our understanding is that the Executive committee of the Alabama Conference has acted and that a committee from that Conference has been appointed to co-operate with the committee of its sister conference in drafting and presenting the Memorial.

This Memorial seems to us to have in

it sufficient merit to commend it to the intelligent interest, and the ready sympathy, of every member of the Convention.

This does not signify that the Convention has an educational fund with which to build and equip a school such as is here contemplated. It had no such fund with which to build and equip Elon College, and yet by and through Conventional co-operation, sympathy, patronage and management Elon College has been, so far, builded and equipped. What this proposed school needs is the wisdom of the Convention, the support, the backing, the co-operative interest and energy of the Convention. We do not know what the Committee's plea or presentation will be, but we feel sure it will be sane, conservative, meritorious.

Those acquainted with conditions feel most keenly the need of the school spoken of and believe that it would result in a quickening of the work in the two Conferences named, and would serve to strengthen the tie that binds the conferences to the convention. The school would not be a foe, but an ally, to Elon College, and there is full room for both to do a mighty and effectual work for the Church.

The memorial is printed here, with the salient features contemplated, that delegates may make mental note of it, and be prepared to act intelligently upon it when their verdict shall be called for at the Convention.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Arbuckle.

This name may, or may not, go down, in history as one of the world's good and great, because some did not like his coffee, but it will be admitted that, long before he died in New York, at the mature age of 74 the other day, John Arbuckle, the shrewd and canny Scotchman, had made his name a household word in America, and that is something in life. But he did more than this. He must have the credit for originating package trade not only in coffee, but in sugar and the hundred other articles you can now buy in the grocery store already "done up" in convenient and comely packages. Mr. Arbuckle found time to experiment in various scientific directions and revolutionized the manner of raising sunken ships by the use of compressed air. He gave of his millions to help many charities and his "farm-colony" and "floating hotels" for the submerged tenth of New York are monuments to his genius, originality and anxiety for the comfort and welfare of others.

The Endless Chain "Prayer."

You can't kill that endless chain fraud. The thing seems to have a charmed existence, and refuses to die. If ghost stories, and crude superstitions all had as many lives as this nuisance we should have a weird and wicked world indeed. Besides being a fake and a fraud this "prayer," in its latest form, is pernicious and wicked. It is represented, this latest edition is, to have been said "in Jesus time" and that all who copy it would be delivered from all calamity."

We do not know to what wickedness one had sold oneself when this "prayer" was first thought of, but satan certainly seems to have had his say with it as an instrument of vice for a long time. Think, for instance, of living under the delusion that one can purchase immunity from calamity at so small a price.

It would seem that such a crude and crass superstition could not exist in a civilized land, and it is a reflection upon intelligence that it has existed this long. Once more, reader, burn up your endless chain prayer, please, and keep your postage stamps for better purpose.

Ex-Governor Aycock.

In the death of Charles Brantley Aycock, at Birmingham, Ala., on the night of April 4, North Carolina loses one of its most useful citizens, polished speakers and distinguished sons. His death was suddden, occurring before a great audience of educators whom he was addressing on the topic of "Universal Education." We think it safe to say that no man in North Carolina was more universally loved than was "Charlie" Aycock. In office, or out of it, he was known to be approachable, congenial, sympathetic. His deeds of mercy while Governor will be remembered long after the present generation shall have passed. From Superintendent of School of Wayne County to the Governor's chair at Raleigh, he fought valiantly the battles of intelligence against ignorance, of truth against error, of progress against inertia and stagnation. While Governor his days were occupied, when not tied to his office with executive duties, in preaching the gospel of education and good schools and he did this so ably and eloquently and effectively that he will ever be known as "The Educational Governor." He was the State's benefactor and it can be truly said of him that he conferred honor, glory and dignity upon every position to which he was called. His friends had induced him to offer as a candidate for the United States Senate and thousands in the State knew well that North Carolina had no son that could carry into this high position as much eloquence, eminent fitness, superior dignity and patriotic zeal as could he. Ex-Governor Aycock loved and trusted the people and the people loved and trusted him; and he never betrayed their trust and confidence. He was a member of the Baptist Church, was a man of piety and devotion, and died in the thick of the fight for progress, development and civic righteousness. God rest his noble soul.

VOICES THAT CALL TO MISSIONS.

Those who do not hear the call to join in the great work of winning the world to Christ can not give as an excuse the failure of God to make known His will. They need to go direct to the Great Physician for spiritual operations on their eyes, their ears, their hearts, their nerves, and their powers of locomotion. What are some of the voices that call to missionary work?

1. The voice of God in His Word. The marching orders of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The whole Bible is a missionary Book.

2. The voice of human need. Ignorance, culpable ignorance, shuts out the vision of men and women living and dying in sin. None can see the condition of men in any land without recognizing their need of a Savior.

3. The voice of ability. Christians have vast resources at their command, and all the powers of nature are being harnessed to do man's bidding. Every new discovery and invention is but a new instrument put into our hands to carry the Gospel into the regions beyond.

4. The voice of history. The past failures of men without Christ and the successes attending missionary owrk are summons to further endeavor. In the past missionary century twice as many have been added to the professing followers of Christ as in all the preceding eighteen centuries. The work is a success.

5. The voice of opportunity. Doors have been opening on every hand, and many obstacles that long stood in the way have disappeared. Even persecutions have left the doors open wider then they were before. God is leading the way.

6. The voice of love and thanksgiving. "The love of Christ constraineth me." The fact that we owe so much to God must lead to greater sacrifice and service for Him.

7. The voice of self-restraint. Experience proves that the greatest blessing comes to those who give themselves wholly to this work. Those who are self-centered stagnate and die. Christianity must flow out if it is to be kept living. The most short-sighted policy is that which begins and ends at home.

Whosover hath, to him shall be given, and to whomsoever much is given, of him much shall be required.—Missionary Review.

NOTICE TO DELEGATES TO THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION WHICH WILL MEET IN ELON COLLEGE TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 30, AT 8 O'CLOCK.

Below is the program for the Cenvention in nearly completed form.

Much time and thought have been given to the preparation of this program, after securing all the help the committee could get from Chairmen of Boards and Committees. Each Board outlined a little program and suggested speakers for that department. Out of this and other material the Committee has endeavored to fashion a program that will furnish enough to secure tense work and economic use of time, and, at the same time, leave ample scope for general discussion of all important and interesting subjects.

Great matters crowd the program and it will be the busiest session of the Convention ever held. All delegates should be in their place at the first and opening meeting and remain till the final adjournment.

The College and the Orphanage are concrete examples of church enterprises and will impress the Convention with the importance and value of what the Convention can do when the church and Sunday schools do their full duty and in a systematic way. The ability of the Southern Convention was never so great as at the present time, the opportunity was never so ripe as now, and the future will be determined by the way we use our means and enter the open door.

W. W. Staley, Chm. Ex. Committee.

Suffolk, Va., April 2, 1912.

PROGRAM.

Of The Nineteenth Regular Session Of The Southern Christian Convention, Elon College Christian Church, Elon College, North Carolina, April 30—May 3, 1912.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Pastor.

Rev. J. W. Wellons, Asst. Pastor.

Officers of Convention.

Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., LL. D., President, Suffolk, Va.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Editor Christian Sun, Elon College, N. C., Vice President.

Rev. I. W. Johnson, A. B., Secretary, Suffolk, Va.

Rev. J. W. Patton, Asst. Sec'y., Elon College, N. C.

Mr. John A. Mills, Treasurer, Raleigh, N. C.

First Day, Evening.

Tuesday, April 30, 1912, 8:00 P. M.

1. Convention called to order by Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., LL. D., President., Suffolk, Va.
2. Devotional services, by Rev. W. S. Long, D. D., Chapel Hill, N. C.
(a) Scripture.
(b) Prayer; response, "Is God in His Holy Habitation?" by choir.
(c) Remarks.
3. Organization:
(a) Enrollment of Delegates.
(b) Election of President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Treasurer.
4. Appointment of Committees:
(a) Committee on Resolutions.
(b) Committee on Finance.
(c) Press Committee.
(d) Committee on Nominations.
(e) Committee on Apportionments.
5. Addresses:
(a) Address of Welcome by Rev. J. U. Newman, D. D., Lit. D., Elon College N. C.
(b) Address of Response by Rev. I. W. Johnson, A. B., Suffolk, Va.
. The President's Address:
7. Anthem: The Meek Will He Guide In Judgment, by Choir.
8. Miscellaneous Business.
9. Adjournment.
10. Doxology and Benediction.

Second Day—Forenoon.

Wednesday, May 1, 1912, 9:30 A. M.

1. Devotional Services—Rev. H. W. Elder, Richland, Ga.
2. Roll Call, Reading and Approving Minutes; Enrollment of Delegates.
3. Report of Executive Committee—Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., Chairman, Suffolk, Va.
4. Report of Treasurer—John A. Mills, and Reference to Finance Committee.
5. Report of Statistician—Prof. S. M. Smith, Norfolk, Va.
6. Christian Orphanage—
(a) Report of Board of Trustees, by Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Chairman, Elon College, N. C.
(b) Exercises by Orphanage Children. Mrs. J. L. Foster, Director.
(c) Address—What the Church Owes to the Orphanage—W. H. Carroll, Atty., Burlington, N. C.
(a) General Discussion and Vote on the Report.
7. Election of two Members of the Board of Trustees.
8. Report on Sunday schools, Rev. H. E. Fountree, A. B., Chairman.
(a) Address: Sunday-schools and Progress, H. E. Rountree, A. B., Waverly, Va.
(b) General Discussion and Vote on the Report.
(c) Report on Teacher-Training—W. A. Harper, M. A., Chairman, Elon College, N. C.
9. Miscellaneous Business.
10. Adjournment, 12:20 P. M.
11. Doxology and Benediction.

Second Day—Afternoon.

1. Devotional Services—Rev. C. E. Newman, A. B., Henderson, N. C.
2. Reading and Approving Minutes, and Enrollment of Delegates.
3. Home Missions:
(a) Report by Col J. E. West, Chairman. Suffolk, Va.
(b) Address—The Present Day Problems of the Christian Church, by Rev. J. W. Harrell, M.A., Portsmouth, Va.
(c) The Plea of the Points Now Needing Help, Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Elon College, N. C.
(d) General Discussion and Vote on the Report.
(e) Election of Home Mission Board.
4. Miscellaneous Business.
5. Adjournment.
6. Doxology and Benediction.

Second Day—Evening.

Wednesday, May 1, 1912, 8:00 P. M.

Preaching Service—In Charge of the Pastor of the College Church.

1. Doxology.
2. Invocation.
3. Anthem—God Is Our Refuge And Strength—College Choir.
4. Scripture Lesson.
5. Prayer.

Response: Be Thou Lord My Help in Trouble—Choir.

6. Sermon: Rev. Oliver W. Powers, D. D., Home Mission Secretary of American Convention, Dayton, Ohio.
7. Hymn.
8. Benediction.

Third Day—Forenoon.

Thursday, May 2, 1912, 9:30 A. M.

1. Devotional Services, Rev. G. O. Lankford, A. B., Wadley, Ala.
2. Reading and Approving Minutes.
3. Foreign Missions:
(a) Report by Rev. N. G. Newman, M. A., Chairman, Holland, Virginia.
(b) Address—Rev. J. P. Barrett, Editor of Herald of Gospel Liberty, Dayton, O.
(c) General Discussion and Vote on Report.
4. Woman's Mission Work:
(a) Report from Woman's Board, by Mrs. C. H. Rowland, M. A., Chairman, Franklin, Va.
(b) Address: A Plea For Missions—Shall Women Help? Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Elon College, N. C.
(c) General Discussion and Vote on Report.
5. Miscellaneous Business.
6. Adjourn, 12:20 P. M.
8. Doxology and Benediction.

Third Day—Afternoon.

Thursday, May 2, 1912, 2:00 P. M.

1. Devotional Services—Rev. Wm. T. Walters, M. A., Winchester, Va.
2. Reading and Approving Minutes.
3. Schools and Colleges:

(a) Report of Board by E. L. Moffitt, LL. D., Chairman, Asheboro, N. C.
(b) Address: Education in the Southern Christian Convention—President W. A. Harper, M. A., Elon College, N. C.
(c) General Discussion and Vote on Report.
(d) Nomination of Twelve Candidates for Trustees.
4. The Laymen's Movement:
(a) Report by Prof. W. P. Lawrence, M. A., Chairman, Elon College, N. C.
(b) Address: Prof. W. P. Lawrence, M. A., Elon College, N. C.
(c) The Laymen's Movement—A Round Table on Ways and Means, led by Dr. J. W. Manning, Norfolk, Va.
(d) Vote on Report.
5. Miscellaneous Business.
6. Adjournment.
7 Doxology and Benediction.

Third Day—Evening.

Thursday, May 2, 1912, 8:00 P. M.
Preaching Service in charge of Pastor.
1. Doxology.
2 Invocation.
3. Anthem—There Is a Land Beyond the Setting Sun—Choir.
4. Scripture Lesson.
5. Prayer.
6. Response—Our Days Are Like a Shadow—Duet.
7. Sermon—By Rev. A. W. Lightbourne, D. D., Dover; Del.
8. Hymn.
9. Benediction.

Fourth Day—Forenoon.

Friday, May 3, 1912, 9:30 A. M.
1. Devotional Services—Rev. P. T. Klapp, Elon College, N. C.
2. Reading and Approving Minutes.
3. Publications:
(a) Report by W. A. Harper, M. A., Acting Chairman, Elon College, N. C.
(b) Address—Church and Publishing Relations, Netum Rathbun, Agt., Christian Publishing Association, Dayton, O.
(c) Address—Duties and Dangers of the Religious Press, Rev. A. W. Lightbourne, D. D., Dover, Del.
(d) General Discussion and Vote on Report.
4. Report of Editor of Christian Sun and Publishing Agent, by Rev. J. O. Atkinson D. D., Editor and Agent.
(a) Election of Editor of Christian Sun and Publishing Agent.
5 Report of Special Committees:
(a) Resolutions.
(b) Finance.
(c) Other subjects.
6 Miscellaneous Business.
7 Adjournment, 12:20 P. M.
8. Doxology and Benediction.

Fourth Day—Afternoon.

Friday May 3, 1912, 2:00 P. M.
1. Devotional Services, by Rev. A. M. Hanson, Norfolk, Va.
2. Reading and Approving Minutes.
3. Announcement of Boards and Committees.
4. Young Peoples' Societies:
(a) Report from Young People's Convention, by Rev. L. E. Smith, President, Greensboro, N. C.
(b) Address: Relation of Young Peoples' Convention to Southern Christian Convention, by Rev. L. E. Smith, Greensboro, N. C.
(c) General Discussion and Vote on Report.
(d) Report of Committee on Christian Endeavor Work, by Rev. C. H. Rowland, Franklin, Va.
(e) Address: The Vision of our Young People, Rev. C. H. Rowland, Franklin, Va.
(f) General Discussion and Vote on the Report.
5. Miscellaneous Business.
6. Reading and Approving Minutes.
7. Adjournment.
8. Doxology and Benediction.

RELIGION FOR CHURCH MEMBERS EMPHASIZED.

President Harper, of Elon, Made Address To Missionary Union.

(Greensboro Daily News, April 4).

"I believe the Young Men's Christian Association has made a great mistake in trying to fool men into the church," said President W. A. Harper, of Elon College last night in the course of an address before the Woman's Missionary Union of Orange Presbytery, which is in session here. President Harper was speaking on "The Church and the Young People," and was making the point that the social side of the church is too frequently used to attract people to join the church, to secure church members through attractions offered instead of through a change of heart.

The address of President Harper, which was one of the principal events on the program for the four days' session of the union, was heard closely by the members and by visitors to the meeting. The address was an appeal for a stronger work to make the church a power for good among the people and especially among the young people of the nation. He spoke for nearly an hour during which time the attention of his hearers did not swerve from the theme which he forcefully presented.

The problem of the young people, he said is a problem of the church, and just as the hand that rocks the cradle rules the world, so the church that reaches the young people saves the world. The speaker said that most of the church members are those who joined before they were 16 years of age and using statistics, said that as near as could be ascertined, 75 per cent. of the members joined before this age.

He said that the principal church problem is how to reach them more than it does, and that for years the church has been trying to arrive at an answer to this problem.

He found that three answers principally had been made by the church.

The first was by the patriarch church, which assumed that the fact that a child was born into a Christian family, in a family of believers entitled him to membership. This is a Catholic belief, said he, and a belief that the majority of Christians hold today. He said it counts for nothing and does not necessarily make the child the Christian desired.

President Harper said that the second answer given in history as made by the church to the problem was that the church should do all in its power to interest children in religion. It has been adhered too to this day, said he, through different organizations and unions, pink teas, white teas, oyster suppers, moonlight rides, which are held purely to interest the children, to attract them, and which do not impart to them the real good, or create the religious belief that should be. He made it plain that he was not opposed to the social side, saying that it was very necessary, a kind of safety valve, but he opposed exclusive social organizations.

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He said he believed the Y. M. C. A. has made a great mistake in trying to fool a man into the church. "A man who gets in purely to get in the gymnasium, or to play pool, or to go to an oyster supper, should not get in that way. What is needed is a change of heart. He is not fooled in fact. What he has joined is a social club."

President Harper said the third answer was made 31 years ago when a Christian Endeavor society was organized and with the statement that the only thing that will interest young people in religion is religion—religious work—he said that the Christain Endeavor Society had supplied this and had come close to the individual. Through this organization and embodying the principles of it many other organizations have been made, organizations that are effective, that have a covenant as a platform, that interest the very heart of the member in religious work. It supplies for the member personal duties fulfilled for Christ, Bible reading, prayer, attendance on service—religion pure and simple.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

—The results of the two weeks' flood in the Mississippi Valley are reported to date as follows: 30,000 people homeless, 2,000 square miles of land submerged, 30 persons drowned, a loss to property of $10,000,000. The suffering is intense, waters are yet doing great damage, and much more loss is expected.

—Pastor L. F. Johnson and the Raleigh brotherhood certainly deserve well of Sun readers in their great task of raising an ample sum with which to rebuild our Raleigh Church. No more meritorious appeal than theirs has gone through these columns in many months. The Raleigh brethren and friends are certainly doing their part most nobly.

—Ex-Governor Aycock's last sentence, in the great speech on Universal Education which he was delivering in Birmingham, Ala., when he dropped dead, was: "I have determined, if such a thing is possible, to open the doors of the schools to every child——" —thus passing away with the word "child" upon his lips, the child for whom his great and sincere and eloquent life had done so much.

—Information from private sources is to the effect that Rev. M. L. Bryant, Hillside Cottage, Asheville, N. C., is improving steadily in health and has gained several pounds in flesh. Bro. Bryant is one of our most useful and beloved pastors and many are the prayers offered for his recovery. His beloved flock at Berkley, Va., are hoping to receive him back to the work this summer.

—We acknowledge the following: "Mrs. Martha A. Hatch requests the honor of your presence at the marriage of her daughter, Josephine, to Rev. George Ruffin Underwood on Wednesday afternoon, April 24, at two o'clock, Baptist Church, Pittsboro, N. C." Whereupon we extend our heartiest congratulation to Bro. Underwood, who is widely known among Sun readers as a successfuly and much beloved preacher and pastor.

—That work is to begin at an early date on our house of worship at Chapel Hill, N. C., is welcome news indeed, and that which will be heard with relish and gratitude by a host of Sun readers. We should have had a church at Chapel Hill long ago and have failed in our duty and privilege by deferring the matter thus far. Many should read and should heed, Bro Clement's earnest plea presented elsewhere. It is indeed worthy and meritorious.

—It is reported that a throng estimated at 10,000 people participated, as spectators, in the funeral and burial services of Ex-Governor Aycock at Raleigh last Sunday afternoon. The death of this great and good citizen evoked words and expressions of warmest devotion and admiration from the mountains to the sea. It is safe to say that no man in the State held a warmer place in the affections of the people than did Ex-Governor Aycock.

—Thirty-five suffragettes of London, England, who recently engaged in the shameful and destructive episode of wholesale window smashing, entailing heavy loss to London merchants on that account, have been tried and sent to prison for terms ranging from four to six months. If women really want woman suffrage they will have to prove themselves worthy of it in a manner quite different from this of lawless destruction of property.

—"Judge" Clark, of the Statesville Landmark pictures a scene in his town not unknown to many towns we regret to say:

"Last Sunday all of the up town churches dismissed their congregations at about the same time and the portion of the church goers—large proportion by the way—that go direct from church to the post-office, landed there at the same time. The post-office lobby was crowded, the folks could hardly get in and out of the door for the jam and the sidewalk in front of the office was filled.

"If the churches make a habit to let out their congregations at the same time the postoffice building will have to be enlarged. Meantime, to avoid crowding and confusion, a committee from each congregation might suggest to the pastor to arrange a schedule for dismissing services so that all those who go from the churches to the post office won't land there at the same time."

The Catalogue Number of the Elon College Bulletin, for 1912, containing announcement for 1912-1913, is just from the press and is an interesting publication of 153 pages. This issue contains much of lasting interest to the public not heretofore published, such as the College Charter, a complete history, and other important matters. The Catalogue shows a total enrollment in all departments of 269, which are distributed as follows: 23 in the graduate school, 228 in the college, and 18 in the special normal department for teachers. There are 97 music pupils, and strong departments in Art, Expression, and Commercial branches. There are now seventeen professors and teachers in the Faculty and the college equipment is modern in the way of heat, light, water, and fire-protection. Any reader of The Sun may have a copy of this Catalogue free upon application to the President's Office, Elon College, N. C. There is much and valuable matter in the catalogue of interest to the general reader, besides considerable data of real moment. The catalogue is the most portentous ever issued by the College and shows the college up in its true light, namely, among the very best higher institutions in the State.

NORFOLK LETTER.

The meetings at Rosemont, conducted by the pastor, Rev. D. A. Keys, have been productive of much good and the fact that there were nineteen conversions was an inspiration to all. Eleven new members were received into the church. Bro. Keys is doing a very good work in that field and the people are gladly seconding his endeavors. It seems to us a very happy arrangement to have combined into one pastorate the South Norfolk and Rosemont churches as they were last fall.

Easter was fittingly celebrated at our Norfolk churches. So far as the writer has knowledge the choirs rendered special Easter selections, and at several of the services there were appropriate decorations.

At Portsmouth Rev. J. W. Harrell reports progress in the raising of the funds needed for interest payment, etc. He begins a series of meetings tonight assisted by the writer.

Miss Lucile Bowden who is attending school at Farmville and expects to graduate this spring is making an Easter visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Bowden of the Third Church.

The following item appeared in the Ledger-Dispatch last week: "Monday night the Good Will Circle of the Third Christian Church, were delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. A. M. Johnson, 610 Thirty-first Street. In keeping with the day, the social was in the nature of a progressive April Fool Party. In accordance with the invitations, the guests received their "first degree" at the home of Rev. A. M. Hanson, Thirty-third St., where they were instructed that their "second" awiated them at Mrs. Cartwright's on Thirtieth Street. Another surprise was in store for them there, in that they were told to go to Mrs. Johnson's on Thirty-first Street. Here a number of unique and interesting contests and games were enjoyed, and refreshments wer served in the beautiful and appropriately decorated dining room. Thirty-one were present."

A. M. Hanson.

April 8, 1912.

ELON COLLEGE NOTES.

On Friday afternoon and evening of last week there occurred in the College

Auditorium the second annual Inter-Scholastic Declaimer's Contest, for which a gold medal was awarded by the Faculty of the College. In this contest there were twenty-one contestants from the leading high schools of the State and each contestant acquitted himself with much credit. The preliminary contest was held on Friday afternoon at which time each of the contestants spoke and from which eight were chosen to speak in the final contest of the evening. Mr. Josepeh Hendrix of Concord, N. C., won the medal on this occasion, the subject of his declamation being "Inglorious Peace."

On Saturday evening the Psiphelian Literary Society gave its annual public entertainment, which consisted of choruses, essays, solos, piano and vocal, and a play entitled: The Love of a Bonnet. The young ladies always do well and the entertainment this year was certainly no exception.

On Monday evening of this week occurred the preliminary contest looking to the first Inter-Collegiate Peace Contest of this State, which occurs in Raleigh on April 19th. In this preliminary contest there were five speakers and from these was chosen one man to represent Elon in the inter-collegiate contest. The contestants on Monday night were Messrs. J. A. Dickey, Jr., C. B. Riddle, W. L. Anderson, E. L. Daughtrey, and J. G. Truitt, the last named being the winner, Mr. Anderson securing second place.

The Special Normal Course for teachers begins on Tuesday of this week. Quite a number of teachers are expected to enter for this course and if the work done this year is as good as that done last, the progress made will be most satisfactory.

Dr. Chas. L. Raper, Dean of the Graduate School of the University of N. C., will deliver a lecture before the student body here on Thursday. His subject will deal with the Political or Social Sciences the exact subject of which has not yet been definitely announced.

Mrs. J. A. Kimball, Manson, N. C., spent sometime last week as the guest of Mrs. Rose J. Machen at the West Dormitory.

Mrs. Hugh Alexander, formerly Miss Ramsay, Lumberton, N. C., is spending the Faster season with her friend, Miss Pitt, at the West Dormitory. Mrs. McAlister is accompanied by Mr. H. A. McAlister, Jr.

Mrs. Sue Jones and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Kernodle, and Mrs. Bettie Kimball, of Durham, N. C., are here for a few days' visit with Dr. and Mrs. J. O. Atkinson.

Quite a number of students were at home during the Easter season and of course there were many visitors here for the different occasions. In fact, the number of boarders at West Dormitory was so increased that twenty-four more covers had to be provided for and the general arrangement of the dining room was considerably changed.

News has just reached here that Mr. Claude Moore, of Harrisonburg, Va., a son of Rev. H. C. Moore of that city, and Miss Annie Lawrence, who was a teacher in the public schools here last year, and in the Gibsonville schools this year, were married in Greensboro last week. This came as a great surprise to their friends here.

We are glad to welcome the family of Rev. J. W. Patton back to the Hill. Mrs. Patton has been principal of the Gibsonville Graded School during the past year and consequently has been living in that town, but since the closing of her school last week, she and her family have returned to their home here.

We note with pleasure that Prof. Lawrence, head of the English Department here, had an excellent article in the Literary Section of the News and Observer yesterday. The article had to do with Browning and Prof. Lounsbery.

Prof. N. F. Brannock served as judge on a debate at Gilliams' Academy on Saturday evening of last week. L.

JUST WHY.

Editor of The Sun:—You deserve well for telling the truth, and using your offices in behalf of our general cause. Since getting to Porto Rico, I have read your editorial about support of our Foreign Mission cause, and your statement to the effect that the explanation of the Executive Board of the A. C. C. relative to the foreign mission deficit does not explain. Just a word, by your permission, on that point.

You and your readers well know that we have only two mission fields, Japan and Porto Rico. You also know that a year before the Huntington Convention the Mission Board decided that Porto Rico was properly a home mission field, that home mission funds should be put behind Porto Rico, and that, furthermore, a special appeal should be made for our work on this island as home mission work. All of which was done during the year, October, 1905, to October, 1906.

Meantime there was persistent call for re-enforcement of the Japan Mission, and abundance of funds to send another missionary family, under plans then being worked by the Mission Board, and a man and his wife were commissioned for the Japan field and sent in 1906. So matters stood when the Convention met at Huntington in October of that year.

It was charged that the Board had a sinister motive in making Porto Rico a home field, which was not true, to the best of my knowledge and belief. It was said that home mission funds were being expended on a foreign mission work. (Most of the Boards operating down here administer this as a home mission field; two or three do not.) When the members of the Convention gathered at Huntington, therefore, our Porto Rican work had become a sort of "issue." A motion passed by the Convention ordered the Mission Board to support the Porto Rican work out of foreign mission funds. Already as much was being put into our foreign work as could safely be spared y ar by year and then the Convention's order added $4,000 a year more undertaken (that was the cost of the Porto Rican work). It was perfectly evident that one of three results would follow: the Board would diminish the work done; or by extra effort more money would be raised; or there would be a deficit in the foreign fund. Desiring to save the whole work, the Mission Board decided to campaign for more money so that no part of the work need be dropped. But in spite of all efforts, a large deficit has been created.

Looking back, one can easily say that enough work should have been dropped to avoid running behind. But on the other hand it looked as if special effort would easily swell our funds the necessary two or three thousand dollars per annum among 100,000 people blessed as the Christian denomination is with worldly possessions. I confess myself unable to account for our failure.

As to change of policy: before the Huntington Convention we had one Mission Secretary who was also treasurer of the Board and publisher of the Christian Missionary; since that Convention we have had two Mission Secretaries, and a Mission Treasurer. The one Secretary had one salaried assistant; the two Secretaries and Treasurer have done their work with practically no assistance. Of course the present policy is more expensive than the former; but the Huntington Convention knew that it would be, and expected it. But it also expected more work done and more results.

With the above facts in mind, the Executive Board of the A. C. C. recently published a statement declaring its belief that our present foreign mission deficit is due to a reversal of the Board's plans for Porto Rico, and the enlargement of the administrative force of our missionary department. It seems to me also that if we love the work of the kingdom and our denomination as we profess to we could easily carry all our present mission [illegible] more, too.

M. T. Morrill, Foreign M's. Sec.

Ponce, P. R., Mar. 25.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS and CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

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Edited by Charles A. Hines, Greensboro, N. C., editorial secretary of the Young People's General Convention.

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Motto: A Christian Endeavor Society in each Church; Teacher Training and Organized Classes in each Sunday-School.

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The secretary will be glad to give any information as to any of the things the convention stands for and where literature can be obtained. Contributions are invited and every class or society should make frequent reports to the above address.

THE ELEMENTARY TEACHER.

By Mrs. J. J. Lincoln.

We will choose the first junior class. These children according to the graded standard would be nine years old. In schools like ours they are more apt to be ten. There are eight scholars, as many as any teacher can teach successfully; that is, in the lower grades. We have our corner shut in by a folding screen, a blackboard and a map. The seats are of medium height, arranged around the corner, semicircle, facing the improvised partition at the end of which and facing just between the line of seats and the partition so that she may turn to either, is the teacher's seat. The lesson is review, first quarter, 1912. Pinned to the screen are eight pieces of handwork, the best specimens, one for each child, of the quarter's work. One is a drawing of a small table and a writing tablet, and across the tablet the words—His name is John. Another is a folder or booklet, the front page of which is the picture—Announcements to the Shepherds, the last page the picture—Christ with the Doctors; the whole a complete picture story of the Christ child during his first twelve years. This work of course is not original except in point of compilation. Still another specimen is a map showing the Sea of Galilee and two fishing boats, one forsaken, the other in charge of some men (Zebedee and the hired servants), and the four disciples making their way slowly over the road to Capernaum, the whole an original outline drawing. It is fine. But we have not space to describe more of this.

At the base of the blackboard is attached a little box or cup for the class offering. Each child contributes as he passes, takes his place at his chair and remains standing until all are located and until the organ which has been playing while classes formed gives the signal for all to be seated. The teacher removes the collection box and holding it in outstretched palm the children recite some little giving verse. This over, there is a class song if it be only a stanza. Always come to Sunday School is a good number. But you say—Oh, we cannot sing, it will disturb other classes. No, it will not. Not if you sing ever so softly and if other classes are interested and about their business as they should be. Then a prayer follows by the teacher, not a long prayer, but a real one. A prayer looking to God for wisdom to teach, and for power of the Spirit to touch every little life with whom she has to deal for the next thirty minutes. Can all recite the golden text? Eight little hands go up and the text is repeated in concert. It is a hard one, but all know it. Another song verse suggested by the text. This time The Light of the World is Jesus. Now, says the teacher, each of you tell something about this wonderful Light; and each child responds with an appropriate verse of Scripture. This work was assigned last Sunday. Mary, you may go to the board. The light of the world is —who? She writes—Jesus. Now give the name of the other babe about whom we learned first of the quarter. She writes—John Baptist. A few leading questions may be used as follows: What the angel in his prophecy to Zacharias said about the greatness of John. Luke 1:15. What Jesus said of John's greatness. Matt. 11: 11. The relative greatness of the two men as shown in John's testimony concerning Jesus. Matt. 3:11-12; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16. Where in the Bible is recorded the first promise of Jesus the Savior. Where found the last old testament reference to His coming. How long between the promise and its fulfillment. Where in the Bible is the prophecy concerning the births of John and Jesus recorded in the same verse. But we must not linger here. George is now called upon to write the names of some of the older people prominent in the quarter's study. He writes—Zacharias, Elizabeth, Joseph, Mary, and after some thought, Simeon, then he can think of no more. Harry's hand goes up. All right, Harry, let us see whom you can recall. He writes—Anna, The Doctors in the Temple, then he hesitates. Fannie wants to try. She adds—Herod, The Wise Men. Zada's hand goes up. The teacher gives her permission to go forward. She writes—The Disciples, Peter's wife's mother. That will do, says the teacher, and the children are called upon one by one to tell something about each character or group of characters.

Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Capernaum, the Sea of Galilee, the Jordan River, all are pointed out on the map by the children and something told about each, preferably in each case some notable incident, as for instance the baptism of Jesus in Jordan. The handwork must not be overlooked. There should be at least a word of praise and commendation. We cannot advocate the giving of prizes here. Had such an end been considered perhaps some child's work would not have appeared on the screen. The higher motive should be strongly stressed and made the incentive.

Now the teacher has just one more duty and it the overwhelming, vital one: press home to each little mind and heart the sum of all true S. S. teaching, that as Jesus lived we may live; as He gave himself in early life to His Father's business, so we should decide in our tender years to give ourselves to his service; to love Him; and to live, and if needs be die, for Him even as He lived and died for us

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CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TOPIC.

Notes on Lesson For April 21, "Christian Virtues, IV Perseverance." Gal. 6:1-9.

How often do we hear the expression, "He's a bright fellow, but he won't stick to anything." Does this expression apply to your life? Do you stick?

One of the greatest assets of any young man n business or in a profession is perseverance. Success to any young woman in the study of an art or mastering what we call "accomplishments" comes only after years of toil and close application. Whatever we undertake must have the best that is in us. We must go into a work with the intention of staying.

We are generally too easily discouraged. This is true in the work-day life of church members, but how much more so in things attempted for God. A Sunday school class will be undertaken and because children or grown folks do not flock to the class the teacher becomes discouraged and wishes the superintendent to give the class to someone else. Instead the teacher should go to the superintendent and pastor and talk over the matter, and they together see if they cannot plan a remedy.

In the society there is need of perseverance. There are thousands of societies that have succeeded because of one member who sacrificed and persevered in the work. Fortunate is that society that has many persevering members.

Singer worked years upon the sewing machine. His friends pitied him, laughed at him—almost scoffed at his efforts. Finally the victory was won and he and Howe, another man who had been equally brave, gave to woman the greatest labor-

saver that has ever come to them.

Have you not read of the missionaries that have gone to a new field and for years had not a single convert? How dark and dismy life must have been for them. Have you not read of how they "stayed on the job," mastered the language, cultivated the people and finally the tide turned toward Christ and the Church.

The world has no love for the "quitter," and you may rest assured that in the Master's work there is no reward for such. The greatest end requires the greatest effort. If God's work is all important, we should not know how to give up once we have attempted something in His name. In the words of a great naval commander of our country, "Don't give up the ship."

From Other Pens.

James Whitcomb Riley submitted one poem a month for eighty-four months to a certain magazine before one was taken.—The Editor.

How can you keep a determined soul from success? Place stumbling-blocks in his way, and he uses them for stepping-stones; imprison him, and he produces the "Pilgrim's Progress:" put him in a log cabin in the wilderness, and we soon find him in the White House; deprive him of eyesight, and he produces "Paradise Lost," or writes the "Conquest of Mexico."—Emma C. Fisk.

Every once in a while I am told that such and such a brilliant young man or woman has come into our congregation, and that he or she will be likely to prove a great acquisition. I confess that it is a bait at which I nibble less than I used to. If I want a light to read by, I would rather have a good long tallow dip than a streak of lightning. A very small river will carry a good deal of water to the sea if it keeps running.—Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst.

Somebody said that it couldn't be done,
But he with a chuckle replied,
That maybe it couldn't, but he would be one
Who wouldn't say so till he tried.
So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin
On his face. If he worried, he hid it.
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done—and he did it!

—Edgar A. Guest.

Daily Readings.

M.—A divine promise, Job 17:9.
T.—"Abide." 1 John 2:24-28.
W.—Christ's example, Heb. 12:1-4.
T.—Hold fast the faith, Heb. 3: 1-6.
F.—Steadfast in trial, Job 1:17-22.
S.—The crown, Jas. 1:2-4, 12.

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I have received so many kind letters that I will take pleasure in writing to let you know of my condition. I have been in Asheville three months today and feel very much benefitted. I have gained nearly fourteen pounds and feel that I have a chance to conquer the disease. I have not been so well the last few days, but was able to go down to the doctor's office this morning. He says I am improving and he feels reasonably sure that I will be restored to my former health and strength, but just how long it will take he can't tell. I appreciate so much the help from the church in Berkley and the services of the ministers who are filling my place from time to time. Had hoped to be able to attend the Southern Christian Convention, but cannot. However, I have one suggestion to offer through The Sun, that it might be well for us to think about, namely: "The Creation of a Loan Fund." This strikes me as one of the long felt needs of our Convention. So far we have given away every dollar. This no doubt was liberal and unselfish in a way, but the Convention has with its years failed to wax strong financially. It has nothing to begin with and when its last appropriation is meted out to some needy point it has nothing left. This should not necessarily be so. Setting aside, say 25 per cent. of our proceeds from the Conferences for Loans to be made to any church that wants to borrow and pay a stated rate of interest on it, would offer an arm of assistance to some of the older churches as well as to the progressive mission points. The latter, especially, would likely do the borrowing gladly after getting their share of the other 75 per cent. of regular gift money. The interest alone on the loan money would in time amount to more than our present appropriations. There are many other reasons why we should create this fund, but let this suffice to put us to thinking.

If, for instance, it is agreed among the several Conferences that the Ministerial student be required to repay the loan made to him in order that another might profit by it and so on, would it not be reasonable and just to ask that a small per cent. at least of our mission money be repaid to help others, and at the same time give a reserve power to the convention finances? M. L. Bryant.

Hill Side Cottage, Asheville, N. C.

—The nations may be planning for peace, but the following from the New York Christian Advocate reads to us like preparation for war:

"Dispatches have arrived in this country that the German Navy is to be expanded from fifty-eight to sixty-one big vessels, and that there are also to be forty protected cruisers instead of thirty-eight. The fleet for service in foreign waters is to be composed of ten first class cruisers and ten protected cruisers. The battle fleet will consist of a flag ship and five squadrons of eight battleships each, ten first class cruisers and thirty protected cruisers. This may look like peace or like war, according to the temperament of the person who reads it."

—Governor Mann has issued a proclamation making Friday, April 12, Arbor Day in Virginia and urges every man, woman and child who is able to do so to plant a tree or flower on that day."

—The Mississippi River has been swollen to unusual proportions by recent floods and great damage to life and property has resulted in portions of Ky., Mo., and Tenn.

—We acknowledge with appreciation receipt of the following: The Reverend and Mrs. Frank Samuel Child have the honor of announcing the marriage of their daughter, Theodora, to Mr. Warland Wight on Thursday, the 28th of March, 1912 at Fairfield, Conn.

WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

Members of the Board of Woman's Missionary Societies of the Southern Christian Convention.

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This Department is edited by Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Franklin, Va., to whom all items of missionary interest and matter for the Department should be sent.

THE SUFFOLK JUBILEE.

It was urged by those conducting the Women's Jubilees through the South last fall that the smaller cities and towns could, on a smaller scale, have similar meetings, carrying out the Jubilee idea; and so it was in persuance of this plan that the different Women's Missionary Societies of Suffolk held a union meeting on Thursday, March 28th, at the M. E. Church. There were three services—one at 10:30, another at 2 P. M., and at night a mass meeting of men, women, and children.

In the forenoon, the Home work was considered, each church having a representation to tell what her church is doing for the home work. An interesting speaker on this subject was Miss Hudson, a deaconess of the M. E. Church, who told of her work among the mill people. Miss Mamie Holland, of Suffolk, read a paper on our Home Mission work. Then the work of the local societies in Suffolk were briefly told. They have all greatly increased their numbers by an "every member campaign." These reports were followed by the Quiet Hour, conducted by Miss Clara Neely, a missionary to Japan. And just for a little while our thoughts were taken from the work, its problems and plans, to a heart-searching within. This was, indeed, a sweet service. At one, the meeting adjourned for lunch which the ladies from all the churches had prepared and served in the Sunday school rooms of the church. Here a pleasant our of social intercourse was enjoyed, and at two we again assembled. At this session the Foreign work was considered. Again a representative from each church told of the work of her denomination, the writer representing the Christians. At the close of these reports, Miss Neeley gave a general discussion of the Foreign work and of her work in Japan in particular. She is a most interesting speaker and we all felt that our interest in the foreign field was increased by having her. Both the Home and the Foreign Missionary spoke of how people would speak of their "sacrifices" for the work, when, in fact, it is all joy and they only wished that others could know something of their joys. At night, there was a missionary from the Philippines who told of the condition of affairs on those islands when they were opened up for missionary work and of the difficulties and successes of the work there. He was followed by Dr. Sparks Melton, of Norfolk, but whose speech the writer missed.

The spirit of the occasion was fine. The things that were told of the work were not in a boasting spirit nor was there any feeling of rivalry in it. Those who were doing the most felt that it was but little and those who were doing least, laid it at Jesus' feet, with a determination to do more for His cause in the future. The attendance was good and all who came were benefitted. Ideas were inter-changed, suggestions were made, and inspiration gained. Other cities and towns would do well to do likewise.

We found Mrs. Dick very busy with and interested in our new society in our church there, and Miss Mamie Holland planning to organze the young girls into a society. When I returned home there was a letter from one of the women of Mt. Carmel church, telling that they were planning to organize and asking for information. And thus the good work goes on. Won't you, dear sisters, take up the work in your church and not let the matter be delayed longer?

"SPECIAL WORK."

Four of the Women's Missionary Societies in the Eastern Virginia Conference have decided to take up a special work, in addition to the regular dues. The Societies at Franklin, Rosemont, Portsmouth, and Memorial Christian Temple have combined in the purpose to support, this year, as Bible woman, Mrs. Watanabe, widow of a Japanese pastor. Mrs. Watanabe has already been very successful in this work, and no one can estimate the good that will be accomplished through her personal intercourse with the women of Japan. She will go to the Northern Field to help Miss True. Her salary is $115.00 a year, and this is to be paid quarterly.

This work has not been undertaken without effort on the part of those cooperating, and earnest prayer. Some felt that the calls for money were already so many, and the workers so few, that not even one new responsibility should be undertaken. Others felt that the call from our sisters of the burdened heart was too urgent to be denied. The conclusion, however, seems to have been unanimously adopted that the need was sufficiently great to be worth whatever effort and enthusiasm required to meet it. At the meeting in which it was first proposed in one Society, there was careful deliberation; then, with only ten persons present, as many dollars were pledged at once. Another Society is to raise its portion by the use of talent money.

If other organizations would like to know the privilege and enjoyment of having a special representative on the foreign field, they might try it, if just for an experiment, and find out.

Margaret H. Brickhouse.

GARDENS OVERGROWN WITH WEEDS.

What do the benighted people of non-Christian lands have to think about? It is said, "he is never alone who is accompanied with noble thoughts." Then, how much of loneliness there must be in the countries that know not Christ! From what missionaries have said, the hearts of these people must be like gardens overgrown with weeds. Is there any wonder? Unrebuked sin, degradation, shame—what a soil for souls to grow in! In their lives have never been sown even a few seeds of love and beauty and truth.

Do we, of Christain lands, ever stop to think what our minds would have left to revolve on, if all the thoughts influenced by Christ and the Christian religion were suddenly debarred from them? It would be like entering a dark, gloomy jungle, full of poisonous vapors and gruesome sights and sounds, which shock our senses until we tremble in horror and dread. Yet, such a condition is just what our brothers and sisters of other climes are facing every day, this very minute.

Thoughts make lives for good or ill. It is through them that people have their joys and sorrows. Only as the mind assumes the proper attitude does the sense of rest come at the close of a tedious, trying day. It is in the thoughts that peace and happiness abide. How much of the real joy of living is wholly dependent on Christian ideas can scarcely be realized unless all belief in Christ were suddenly removed. Simplest pleasures are enhanced by the thought that "every good gift and every perfect gift is from above." As some one has said, every object in nature takes on new luster as God is understood to speak through it.

"A garden is a lovesome thing—God wot!
Fring'd pool,
Fern'd grot;
The veriest school
Of peace. Yet, man hath said that God is not.
Not God in gardens, when the eve is cool?
Nay, but I have a sign!
I'm very sure God walks in mine."

Not God in nature, in our homes, our work? Not God in the hearts of his people? A dense cloud of blackest gloom settles on us at the very suggestion. Truly, to the men and women of Christian lands has been given a sign that God is in everything around us, and longs to dwell in the garden of the human heart.

Can we be willing to keep so wonderful a knowledge from those who have it not? It can not be happiness to us much longer, if we remain selfish in the possession of it. "The day-spring from an high has visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and the shadow of death." Yet, we, of enlightened countries, in our ease and comforts, are sometimes not willing to take the first step toward giving assistance. Many cannot go. Many cannot give a great deal. But is there any church so crippled in forces it cannot organize a society of at least a few members, and study the needs of these sad, lonely people? If individuals and churches would only do what they can, in sending the light of truth to shine on those weedy gardens across the seas, the spurious growths would soon be burned out, and in their places would be flourishing seeds of hope, good-will, and peace.

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My Dear Children:

Showery April has come and instead of the weather fooling us as boys and girls do—we had the showers—some warm sunshine and two days now clear and cool but little field work done.

Our reports are not yet what we would like for them to be—we want more children to write and more Sunday schools to send offerings, and a number of good friends to send us $5 per month for the feeding and clothing of an orphan, and we ought to have 20 more schools that would begin with April to send us $5.00 per month and thus take care of a child's living. Who will enter now?

We are grateful for the $18.50 on the $660.00 indebtedness. We feel that there are 660 persons who could in one week wipe out this debt if only they would think—would consider our needs. Will you think just now? We have no new names to report on our 20 list for cancellation of the mortgage on our building. It looks to us as if there might be 20 friends out of 20,000, one per 1,000 who would give us $50.00 each for so worthy cause as we represent. We have received one check for $50. on this proposition—4 other friends promised. Brethren, will you help me?

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We are grateful for all these gifts for body, mind, farm and garden. Please all give us consideration now, for the Convention will soon be on hand.

Yours hastily, Uncle Jim.

Franklinton, N. C., Feb. 16, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

Mother sometimes says, Three cheers for me, as I remind her of the United States flag—red, white and blue, because what little hair I have is reddish. Dada said I was a nice little girl last fall and Christmas he said I was pretty. Uncle Amis, his baby brother said I would either be a musician or a stenographer on account of my long fingers. Boppa said before Christmas that I was as good looking as brother was at my age. I am trying to win the hearts of all. I am five months old and weigh 15 pounds.

I send my dime. It is so cold I have to stay close by the fire. Much love.

Florence Cheatham.

I dare say, little lady, that you will not fail in winning the hearts of those about you, for who can resist a baby's smile!

Franklinton, N. C., Feb. 20, 1912.

Dear Uncle Jim:

The night before Thanksgiving I was in Grandma's room playing, and she was sick in bed. I was preparing for a tea-party and kept looking back. When the party was ready, I said to Tommy and my other dolls: "Hurry up, thatan's coming." They sat down, and I looked around again and said "Have theat, thatan." Then Grandma realized that I had been looking for satan part of the time while I was picking up dishes, so she told me that I could not see satan and that I must not let him have a seat at my party. Tommy is a doll mamma had when she was a child, living in Suffolk, and she named him for Deacon Tom Nurney. I did not see Tommy from June until November, when I spied him in the tray of mamma's trunk. I jumped with delight and said "There's little man Tommy, I haven't seen him in long time enough."

Oak Level Sunday school had a Christmas treat for the children Christmas Eve, and Aunt Annie took me. We received candy, raisins, apples and "orange juice." I gave away the candy and raisins, but ate the "orange juice." We said some speeches, too. The Sunday before that we rehearsed our speeches. I rolled my eyes like the Campbell Kid and told mama that "Cyde" (Clyde Esther) wolled her eyes, too." My speech was about "Five Little Angels." I thought it was a great thing to go to Sunday school until I went to Franklinton and saw toys and dolls and Santa Claus in a store and shook hands with Santa Claus. Saturday night of that week in December, Mama was telling me I could go with Annie to Sunday school in the morning if it was a pretty day. I promptly replied: "I don't want to go to Sunday school, I had rather go down town and see the dolls." When the next morning came, however, I went with Annie and when I came home and mama pulled my "hankey" out of my pocket, Julius Caesar's head rolled out, too, (he is the first doll I ever had, and a rubber one). Annie walked in and said: "Did you know Wm. Staley carried Julius Caesar's head to Sunday school? His head has been off more than a year, but I like him still. I am two and a half years old today and weigh 32 pounds. Here is my dime.

Fondly, Wm. Staley Cheatham.

Clinging to your first love, I see, Wm. Staley, and not doing like the little girl in the song: "Dolly's lying in the closet, since my brown bear came." You are not proving a Brutus, and so Julius Caesar, I know, feels honored that he has such a friend.

THREE GOOD RULES.

By Emily J. Bryant.

Dr. Henry Van Dyke says: "Never repeat an evil story about another unless you know it to be true; then never repeat it unless it is absolutely necessary; and then never repeat it without remembering that God hears you."

Spurgeon, the great English divine, says: "Accept only one-half of an ill report about another, and then throw half of that away." But even this fraction is too much when the story arises from suspicion only—but, these words are the words of wise men who have lived long enough to learn something of the evil done in the world by repeating irresponsible tales—wild wind flowers flown from miasmatic swamps.

The Bishop of London was asked to give some pertinent advice to the young ladies of a fashionable West End Seminary, and his advice was: "Never be cats.

The old cats of human society are those persons who spend their lives saying ill-natured things about others." He had known of the good reputation of good men and women taken away by the catty spirit prevalent in the West End drawing room, he said,—but, we need not go to London to see this. It is to be greatly feared that in our own loved land for which we claim pre-eminence that the same crime is committed, the same results obtained. It were much better and nobler to aim at a high mark in life and pursue it, leaving others the same untrammelled privilege.

That people carelessly assume the liberty of misinterpreting and misrepresenting a thing so sacred as personal character without the fullest proof shows a deplorable violation of Christian duty; to put their own explanation upon each word, each look, each emotion or quivering, over-taxed nerve of an innocent, sensitive, conscientious person is as truly persecution as was the conduct of Saul in the first century, when, in his Pharisaical zeal he verily thought he was doing God service.

Let us thank God that, if they defame and destroy reputation, they cannot touch character, that may shine even brighter, the one is what men esteem us to be, the other between God and ourselves, and cannot be touched by gossip, nothing but our own acts can change that. "He who steals my purse steals trash," said Shakespeare, who reckoned money as trash compared with character. A person making catty attacks upon others is satisfied to live on a low plane of life. From a higher level he, or she, would see more inspiring, more noble and uplifting subjects for conversation and would see in other people the best, not suspecting evil until it was unquestionable. The fact that the carrier of evil tales is elevated to a higher pedestal than before, while the unconscious and innocent victim is ostracized, shows the corruption of the social atmosphere where the precious scandal is rolled like a sweet morsel under the tongue. It is of such that O. W. Holmes said: "He is acting after the law of his kind."

At a strange church one Sabbath morning it was our experience to hear the pastor begin his sermon with some very telling words: Leaning forward, after announcing his text, he looked squarely into the faces of his people and speaking solemnly and slowly, he said: "I would rather be known in the community as a common thief than as a malicious slanderer," and the none too severe words were repeated several times during the sermon in a fine city church, well filled with people of more than ordinary intelligence. Evidently there had been some gossip in that church.

One might wish to have that minister spend the balance of his years in traveling and repeating that sermon in all pulpits, for it would be just as good for other congregations.

True, these cases may be brought before a secular court, but not every one is willing to endure further unpleasantness, and conclude not to take any notice of it. One of the chief wrongs of slander, and most alarming is its effect upon those who willingly listen and accept it; especially the young are taught wrong estimates, that good is bad and right is wrong; hearts are stained, judgments warped and error prevails. The belief of a lie deteriorates the moral character just as truth elevates. In spite of the fact a person's life may give the lie to such gossip, the story is accepted in preference to the quiet testimony. That men do not gather figs of thistles does not count. That a fountain cannot at the same time send forth sweet water and bitter is a truth that appeals to them less than the false, floating figment without a shadow of truth.

"I know nothing about it, but I am perfectly sure," says one of F. Marion Crawford's characters, in a chatty spirit. Henry Drummond, that Christian gentleman, said: "You may unlock a man's whole life, if you watch what words he uses most." This is a safe rule by which to judge both the good man and the slanderer. **The person whose language is always refined, always sincere, always inspiring and uplifting, always a part of the religious nomenclature;** a man whose deeds harmonize with his words, whose associations and surroundings are of the same refined quality—may be trusted by the most exacting—at least until absolute proof of falsity is furnished by himself. H. W. Beecher said that he would rather be disappointed occasionally, than to be always suspicious of the people he met. He believed in a religion of the heart and revered men for what they aspired to be, leaving God to be the judge. "All strong and overcoming men, who are girded by the intense sinews of strenuous conviction are apt to be mocked at by easy-going Saducees to whom the truth and a lie are about the same thing," says J. W. Dinsmore. "It requires courage to face slander and lies and carry yourself with cheerfulness, grace and dignity for years before the lie can be corrected."

The newspapers occasionally announce that some person has ended his, or her, life because they had not the courage to live under the wrong done them by the circulation of false stories. Such persons lack strength of character and self-mastery and power to withstand the inevitable trials which come, but, here is the power of Christianity. It supplies grace sufficient for the need and some of earth's best and noblest men and women have been victims of libelous scandal. Let all who suffer thorns remember that Paul's "thorn" was not removed in answer to prayer, but divine grace sufficent to surmount it was assured him. In her beautiful submission to the cruel prosecution of her holy life, Mad. Guyon declared, "Great trials come only to great souls." "Extraordinary trials are not always the punishment of extraordinary sins, but for the development of extraordinary graces," says one English divine. God's grace is given to His saints according to their need, and at the time of need. Let him who suffers unjustly—trials will come for our testing—let him wait on the Lord, and He shall renew his strength; he shall mount up as eagles; he shall run and not be weary, walk and not faint. He shall rise superior to his pain and be able to give thanks for the "thorns" which thus become helps to larger power, larger grace and final victory.—Presbyterian Standard.

We may believe that it was the daily custom of Bartimeus to sit in the highway outside the gates of Jericho and ask for alms of the passers-by. Doubtless it seemed to him that the days and years could hold no greater thing than this, and yet one day there came to blind Bartimeus, sitting by the wayside, three of the greatest messages that a man may hear. The first message that came to Bartimeus that spring day as Jesus passed by was: "Be of good cheer." It is the message of Jesus, of Moses, of David, of Elisha, of Isaiah, of Paul, of every helpful life. "Be of good cheer." Why not? There is no burden so heavy that Christ will not bear His full share. There is no sorrow so deep that Christ's oil of joy cannot soothe. He can give the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. The second great message that came to Bartimeus was: "Rise." Not by the wayside does Christ wish any life to sit, idly listening as other men speak of glorious tasks in which they have a part. There is no service so great, but that every life may share in its joy, but this may not be if we sit by the wayside. Rise, that we may be ready to hear the supreme message that comes to us even as unto Bartimeus: "He calleth thee." The call of Jesus holds its assurance of vision and strength. Bartimeus received his sight and followed Jesus and the way to Jerusalem. "Be of good cheer. Rise, he calleth thee." These messages are for you and for me.—Nicholas Frost, in The Watchman.

RALEIGH CHRISTIAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

Dear Friend:

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Respectfully, L. F. Johnson, Pastor.

Chapel Hill.

The building committee of Chapel Hill Christian Church held a meeting last Thursday night. It was definitely fixed to commence work on the house between May first and June first. The building is to be of brick, roof of slate and six rooms besides the auditorium. The great need now is money. Let all those who have promised money to the building fund, and can do so, send it now, either to W. G. Clements, Morrisville, N. C., or E. W. Neville, Chapel Hill, N. C. Will not those who have not promised anything yet send some amount? Who will be the first one to answer this urgent and worthy call? Friends, do help us now to build a nice house of worship at the University of North Carolina. May the blessed Lord incline the hearts to lend a helping hand.

W. G. Clements, Pastor & Finan. Agt.

From Durham.

Dear Brother Atkinson:

I filled my appointment at Goshen Chapel Sunday and notwithstanding the inclement weather there was an attentive congregation present. The people seem to be very much interested in the services here. I cannot tell you how much we miss our Elon College home and surroundings. Still we enjoy Durham and find it to be the live, hustling town it is represented to be. Everybody here works—men, women and children. The wealthy classes, even the millionaires, are not idle. None busier than our large-hearted philanthropist and patriot, Gen. J. S. Carr. His many friends here rejoice with him in his most successful and useful life, and are always glad to confer any honor upon him within their powers. The State and nation also stand ready to honor him and are now calling upon him to represent them as delegate-at-large in the National Convention. The interests of that Convention would not be safer in the hands of any one.

I take this occasion to express gratitude in behalf of the many friends of Elon College for the substantial interest he has manifested from the beginning to the present, proving himself to be one of Elon's best friends. W. T. Herndon.

FROM GA. AND ALA. CONFERENCE.

Dear Dr. Atkinson:

I wish to give a few items to The Sun from Ga. and Ala. Conference. Some changes have recently taken place in some of our churches in pastors. Bro. Milam resigned his work at Red Hill, Beulah and Brown Springs. Rev. E. M. Carter takes the work at Red Hill and Beulah. Rev.

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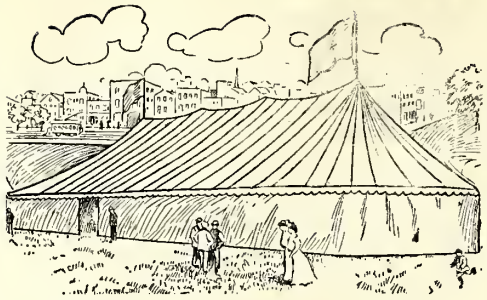

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I have been exceedingly busy this winter. I have five churches and three mission points under my charge. I had the pleasure of attending North Highlands Christian Church in Columbus a few nights ago at a very interesting prayer-meeting. This church is under the pastoral care of Rev. B. F. Young. Brother Young is a good man and a splendid preacher and we hope to see this work go forward under his leadership. I have been at LaNett for four days in the interest of our work there. Our work there is putting on new life and our people are becoming much encouraged over the outlook. We have here many loyal members who are working and praying for the success of the work. We hope to organize a missionary society here soon. We are planning to arganize also at Randall's Crossing and Enigma at our next oppointments. We hope to organize at all my churches soon. I think this the best move of our convention in years. It is going to infuse life and inspiration in our work as nothing else has done.

We are very much concerned about our school proposition in Ga. and Ala. We hope the Convention will take this matter to heart and push it. It is the imperative need of our work here. We are planning to hold our first service in our new church at Kite, Ga., the 2nd Sunday in this month. We have worked hard to complete the work and only lack about three days' work having it ready. We hope to furnish The Sun a picture of the church soon. We have a splendid church that will seat over 500 people. The church is complete or will be in a few days, with exception of the inside painting. We will wait awhile to do this. The building is a credit to the town and also to the denomination. We would like to have our faithful Editor with us at the opening service. We think it will be good to be there. We need two things now that we are not just in a position to get. May be some churches or some person could supply. We need a bell and an organ. If second-handed would serve our purpose till we get able to purchase. If this appeals to any one, take the matter up with J. S. Stephenson, Kite, Ga.

I hope all the delegates will attend the Convention from the Ga. and Ala. Conferences.

Rev. E. M. Carter filled my appointment at Oak Grove last 3rd Sunday. He had a splendid congregation, and the congregation heard two very fine sermons. Bro. Carter is a good preacher and a splendid worker.

Fraternally,
H. W. Elder.

HEALTH IN CUBA AND NORTH CAROLINA.

North Carolina spends approximately one cent per capita annually for the public health of her citizens. We have an annual death rate of at least 18.3 per one thousand population. Cuba spends annually 46 cents per capita on her public health. She has a corresponding annual death rate of 13 per 1,000. Note the difference—45 cents apiece for 1,000 people, or $450.00 vs. 5.3 lives and increased health, happiness and efficiency for the other 987.

If such conditions obtained here with us it would simply mean that over one-fourth of our friends that died last year would have been spared. Would you begrudge 45 cents for any of your friends or neighbors that you lost through preventable disease last year? Nor is that all. Did it ever occur to you that these people are really investing in their own life assurance (not insurance), and that the grim reaper holds more than one-third more chances against you for next year than he does against those Cubans?

We will not admit, nor has it ever been proven, that tropical Cuba is naturally as healthy as North Carolina. Only a few years ago they had more loathsome contagious diseases than we ever had. These conditions have changed, but the climate remains the same.

It has well been said in Life and Health that "We pose as one of the great civilizing nations of the world. We have some of the greatest scientists in medicine; and when we see that the saving of life has a commercial value, as in the building of the Panama Canal, we can save life and prevent disease as no other nation has ever done. But where life saving does not show immediately in dollars and cents there is no people more neglectful.

"We cannot blame our congressmen and legislators. They are merely the representatives of the people and give them what they want. When the people really want health protection they will get it. The people are aroused on the subject of pure food—spasmodically aroused—and they make some noise about the efforts to quash Dr. Wiley; but the health education must go deeper. Instead of a spasmodic impulse now and then, it must become a settled principle. We must realize more than we ever have that, aside from its commercial interest, the health of the community is one of its greatest assets, and that healthfulness is not the result of accident, but of careful, scientific study, intelligent team work, and a certain amount of personal self-sacrifice."—N. C. State Board of Health.

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" Lillington	9:11	2:08	6:20
" Cape Fear	9:16	2:13	6:26
" Kipling	9:28	2:24	6:43
" Chalybeate	9:35	2:30	6:49
" Fuquay Springs ..	9:50	2:45	7:05
" Varina	10:00	2:52	7:14
" Willow Springs ..	10:09	3:02	7:25
" McCullers	10:22	3:15	7:41
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